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Mrs. Blanche W. Knopf
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Dear Blanche:

Many thanks for your invitation for March 15th. Unfortunately I have another engagement that evening which will keep me here in Washington. This is a pity, as there's nothing I would like better than to join you at the small dinner you're planning.

I'm afraid the answer to your letter about the autobiography is, at the moment, "No". However, it is very flattering to know that you and some of your competitors have expressed an interest in some day having one.

As ever,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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Dear Allen:

I have been studying your short answer to my letter, but I am not clear whether it is a yes or a no. I suppose, a no. Think it over some more. You really have the material, and it would be a shame not to put it together.

Another thing I wanted to ask you was whether there would be a chance of your coming up and joining us at a small dinner we are having on March 15 at the Astor in a private room. If you could be persuaded, it would be heavenly, and I can then send the details along. Say yes.

My best.

As always,

Blanche W. Knopf

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